



Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice

Position Title: Senior Policy Advisor, Living Streets
Job ID Number: 40367

The Agency You'll Join:

The NYC Mayor's Office administers all city services, public property, most public agencies, and enforces all city, state, and federal laws within New York City. New York City's Mayor, Eric Adams is head of the executive branch of New York City's government. Mayor Adams has served the people of New York City as an NYPD officer, State Senator, and Brooklyn Borough President. The Adams' Administration is leading the fight to make New York City's economy stronger, reduce inequality, improve public safety, and build a stronger, healthier city that delivers for all New Yorkers. As an agency, we value fairness, helpfulness, transparency, leadership and build our teams around these values. For current job opportunities visit our [careers page](#)

The Team You'll Work With:

The Mayor's Office of Climate and Environmental Justice (MOCEJ) is a team of architects, lawyers, data and climate scientists, engineers, policy advisors, geologists, and city planners working to create a city where our 8.8 million New Yorkers can live, work, learn, and play in healthy, resilient, and sustainable neighborhoods. MOCEJ integrates sustainability, resiliency, and environmental justice into one coordinated approach across several climate and environmental offices, all working to make our buildings efficient and resilient; our infrastructure climate ready; our streets, open spaces and public realm active, safe and healthy; and our energy clean and resilient. All New Yorkers deserve safe, healthy, resilient, and sustainable environments, even as the climate changes. MOCEJ is committed to improving environmental quality for all, prioritizing front line communities, seeking to redress current and past injustices and inequities while creating economic opportunities for all. Through science-based analysis, policy and program development, and capacity building, MOCEJ leads the City's efforts to ensure that New York City is minimizing its contributions to climate change, preparing to adapt and protect New Yorkers from extreme weather and multiple climate hazards, and giving every New Yorker a meaningful voice in our city's future.

The Problems You'll Solve

The Senior Policy Advisor is a member of MOCEJ's Living Streets and Public Spaces team. This position reports to the Deputy Director and will work collaboratively with staff across MOCEJ and multiple agencies to promote the team's policy priorities and to achieve increased cooperation for sustainability and to evaluate and implement results from best practices from around the world for use in policy and program development. This position will convene internal and external stakeholders and oversee a portfolio of initiatives related to transportation resiliency and sustainability, waste management policy, green infrastructure planning, air quality, equitable parks and open space access, and/or extreme heat mitigation, while working to increase environmental quality of life and sustainability for all New Yorkers.

Responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

- Provide thought leadership on MOCEJ initiatives to help improve neighborhood environmental quality and the health, resiliency, and well-being of New Yorkers
- Coordinate with and lead city agencies to develop, plan and implement strategies that increase and improve green transportation and public transit resiliency & sustainability advocacy; solid waste and right-of-way planning; open and green space; zoning & land use coordination; public realm activation; and/or other work that achieves MOCEJ climate and environmental justice goals.
- Synthesize research and keep up to date on current literature as well as agency and external organizations' plans related to urban planning, transportation, waste management, natural resources, etc., and identify work streams that support the goals of MOCEJ, the NYC Streets Plan, Electrifying New York, NYC Forest Management Plan and/or the NYC Solid Waste Management Plan, among others.
- Track and evaluate policies, initiatives, incentives and legislation at the City, State and Federal levels that support the enhancement of environmental justice; identifying opportunities to apply them in the NYC context. Develop appropriate responses and recommendations in coordination with the MOCEJ Legislative Affairs team and coordinate appropriate external engagements in coordination with the MOCEJ Partnerships and Environmental Justice teams.
- Foster relationships with civic organizations to develop and sustain positive relationships and networks that advance policy and program implementation, including agencies such as Department of Transportation, Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Sanitation, Department of City Planning, Economic Development Corporation, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, Department of Citywide Administrative Services, etc.
- Represent MOCEJ at meetings, public forums, conferences, and other relevant events.
- Assist with special projects as needed, and lead other duties, as assigned.

About You

- A master's degree from an accredited college or university, specializing in a relevant field (transportation policy, urban planning, waste management policy, sustainability, architecture, or related physical and social science fields) and at least five years of relevant, responsible, full-time experience.
- A background in transportation or waste management policy, urban planning, sustainability or natural resource management, environmental health, or environmental program management
- An understanding of the interplay of sustainability, health and climate adaptation, and an awareness of existing policies and trends that support sustainable communities.
- Demonstrated presentation skills. Candidates must be comfortable with public speaking and advocacy group engagement.
- Strong data analysis skills including proficiency in statistical and analytical software, geographic information systems, and/or desktop publishing. Candidates must be comfortable with quantitative analysis and have an ability to synthesize data and to focus quickly on the essence of an issue.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including the ability to translate technical information into accessible forms. Clear, effective writing style is a must.
- Knowledge of New York City or New York State's governmental structure and policy context.
- Attention to detail and excellent organization skills, which include and are not limited to the ability to manage complex projects; coordinate interagency programs; and maintain control of analytical details while balancing broadly defined work objectives.
- Willingness to travel in the 5 boroughs and work after hours or on weekends, as needed.

- Fluency in a second language a plus. Work in NYC communities a plus.

Salary

The City of New York Office of the Mayor's compensation package includes a market competitive salary, equity for all full-time roles and exceptional benefits.

Our cash compensation range for this role is **\$95,000 - \$105,000**.

Final offers may vary from the amount listed based on candidate experience and expertise, and other factors.

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